

Because You Can't Scare Kids Straight Today

Help Prevent Gangs - Know The Facts



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Gangs on Facebook – Recruiting Our Youth



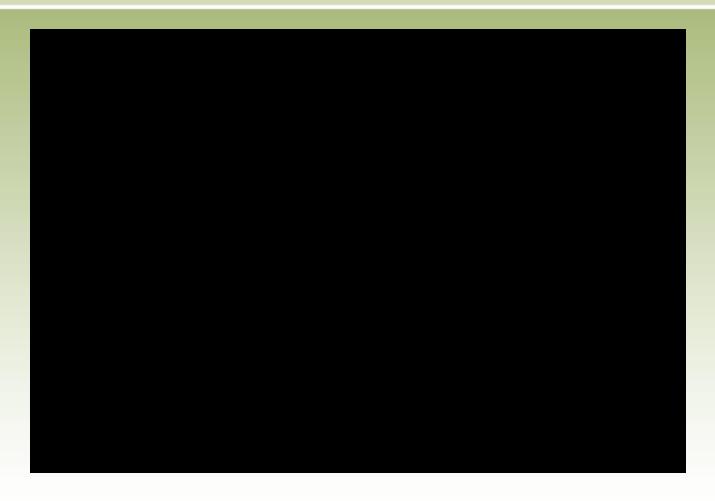
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Gangs In The Suburbs



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Acknowledge Gangs Exist



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Governor's Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse

How Prescription Drug and Opiate Abuse is

Bringing Gang Violence to the Suburbs and How to Stop It

Michael DeLeon - Steered Straight, Inc.





Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.

- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

WHY?

There's no one single reason, there's a multitude of reasons

Denial

Youth out of touch

Suburban Naiveté

Misinformation

NOT MY KID!

Uninformed

Poor Parenting

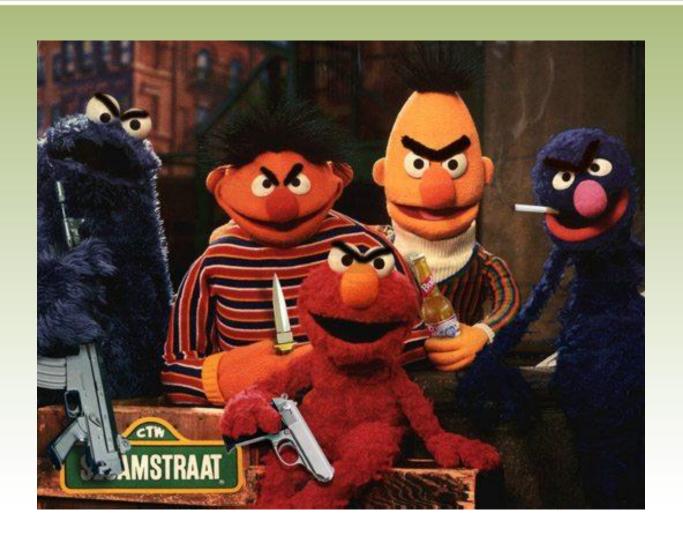
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Blame lies not in one place, it lies in everyplace.

De-sensitizing our Youth



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The Worst Role Models















The Best Role Models















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This Was My Place



Don't Let My Past Be Your Child's Future

What do you want to be when you grow up?



























Addicted in New Jersey – Teens in Crisis – Pt. 1



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Addicted in New Jersey – Teens in Crisis – Pt. 2



http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WYiElyEgElc

Hillbilly Heroin



http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s1uKWSIq9fA

Teen Prescription Drug Use On The Rise



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Prescription Drugs – The FACTS

The scope of America's prescription drug abuse problem is staggering

New Jersey in 2010 saw more than 7,000 admissions to State-licensed or certified substance abuse treatment programs due to prescription painkiller abuse – a 230 % increase from 2005.

•In June 2011, the New Jersey State Commission of Investigation reported that a growing number of young people are abusing prescription drugs, and noted a significant trend in which the practice has led to increases, not only in the number of young people addicted to painkillers, but to the number of young people using heroin as well.

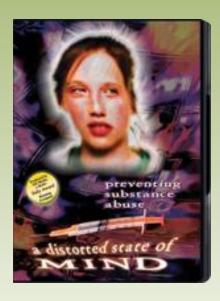
Prescription Drugs – The FACTS

Every day, 40 Americans die from an overdose caused by prescription painkiller abuse, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Overdoses of opioid prescription drugs now kill more people in the U.S. than heroin and cocaine combined.

- •The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration has reported that two in five teenagers mistakenly believe prescription drugs are "much safer" than illegal drugs
 - •There is a 600% increase in developing ADDICTION by using ADDICTIVE Substances before the age of 16

Prescription Drug Abuse









Prescription Drug Abuse



Drug abuse isn't just about illegal drugs like marijuana or cocaine. Legal medicines with legitimate uses can be abused -- meaning they're taken by someone other than the patient or in a manner or dose other than what's recommended.

Commonly abused prescription drugs (depressants, pain relievers, and stimulants) and some nonprescription (over-the-counter) drugs.

Barbiturates



Prescribed to ease anxiety or promote sleep, depressants slow the brain's function. Barbiturates are a type of depressant. Phenobarbital is a barbiturate; others are Mebaral, Seconal, and Nembutal. Though helpful when used as prescribed, barbiturates can be addictive. If taken with certain drugs, including alcohol, the heart and breathing can slow, which can lead to death. Slang for barbituates includes "barbs," "reds," red birds," "phennies," "tooies," "yellows," and "yellow jackets."

Benzodiazepines: Valium, Xanax



Valium and Xanax are examples of benzodiazepines, another type of depressant. They may be prescribed to treat anxiety, acute stress reactions, panic attacks, convulsions, and sleep disorders (typically for short-term use). Like other depressants, they have reasonable uses but may be abused. Withdrawal from benzodiazepines "can be problematic" but is rarely life-threatening, notes the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA).

Sleep Medicines



Sleep medicines are depressants. The sleep drugs Ambien, Sonata, and Lunesta are newer sleep medicines called nonbenzodiazepines. These drugs may have less potential for addiction than other depressants.

Codeine and Morphine



Pain relievers are another group of prescription drugs that are commonly abused. They include codeine and morphine. Brands of morphine include Avinza, Kadian, MS Contin, Oramorph, and Roxanol. Morphine is typically prescribed for severe pain; codeine, for milder pain. Street names for codeine include "Captain Cody" and "Cody." Slang for morphine includes "M" and "Miss Emma."

Oxycontin, Percocet



OxyContin, Percocet, Percodan, and Roxicodone share an active ingredient, oxycodone, which is an opioid pain reliever. These drugs aren't identical; Percocet also contains acetaminophen, while Percodan also contains aspirin. These drugs should only be taken under medical supervision. Street names include "oxy," "O.C.," and "oxycotton" for OxyContin and "percs" for Percocet or Percodan.

Vicodin, Lortab, Lorcet



Vicodin, Lortab, and Lorcet contain the opioid hydrocodone plus acetaminophen. Opioids can cause drowsiness, constipation, and may depress breathing, depending upon how much you take. Vicodin's street names include "vike" and "Watson-387." Vicodin, or any other prescription drug, shouldn't be shared; it's only for the patient with the prescription.

Amphetamines



Stimulants increase alertness, attention, and energy. They're prescribed for narcolepsy, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), and depression that doesn't respond to other treatments. The ADHD drugs Dexedrine and Adderall, are stimulants called amphetamines, which may be abused by people looking for a sense of euphoria. Risks include fast or irregular heartbeat, reduced appetite, heart failure, nervousness, insomnia, and addiction. Nicknames for amphetamines include "bennies," "black beauties," and "speed."

Methylphenidate



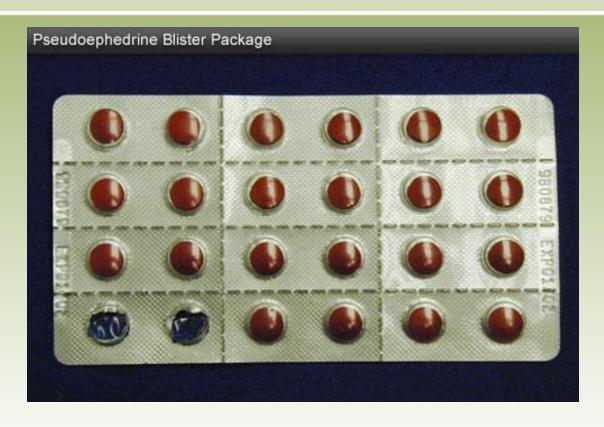
Methylphenidate is a stimulant found in the ADHD drugs Ritalin, Concerta, Metadate, and Methylin. Its nicknames include "MPH," R-ball," "Skippy," "the smart drug," and "vitamin R." Taking high doses of a stimulant can lead to a dangerously high body temperature, an irregular heartbeat, and the potential for cardiovascular failure or lethal seizures.

Dextromethorphan (DXM)



Dextromethorphan (DXM) is the active ingredient in many nonprescription cough and cold medicines. Those products are safe when taken as recommended, but very large doses can lead to euphoria and impaired judgment -- as well as nausea and vomiting, loss of coordination, and increased heart rate. DXM's street names include "Orange Crush," "Triple Cs," "Dex," "Robo," and "Skittles." "LEAN"

Pseudoephedrine



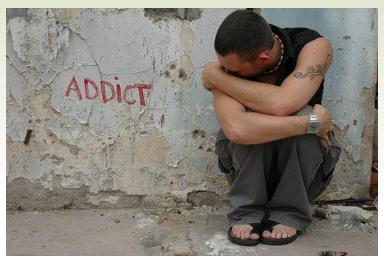
Pseudoephedrine is commonly found in nonprescription cold medicines. It's used as an ingredient for making the illegal drug methamphetamine ("meth"). That's why there are laws limiting the amount of pseudoephedrine-containing drug products that can be bought at a time.

Drug Abuse – What To Do

If you suspect that someone you know is abusing drugs, including prescription or over-the-counter medicines, call 800-662-HELP to find a treatment center. If you're a parent who suspects your child is using, try these tips:

- Come right out and ask.
- •Know the signs and symptoms of drug use and abuse.
- •Learn the risk factors for drug use, like a family history of addiction or having friends who drink or use drugs.



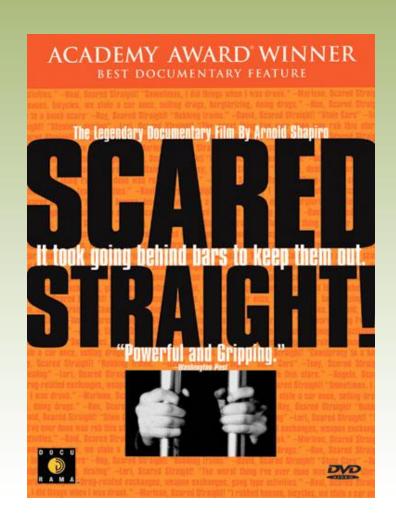


Can we SCARE Kids Straight?





Scared Straight Program – The Lifers Group





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Scared Straight

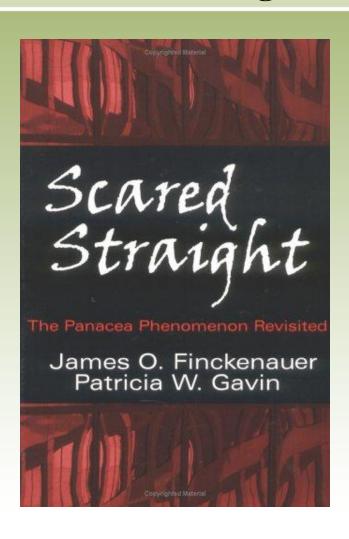
- Original Documentary from 1979
- Won an Oscar in 1978
- Directed by Arnold Shapiro
- Narrated by Peter Falk
- First time 'shit' and 'fuck' were broadcast on many networks
- 1980 sequel, "Scared Straight, Another Story"
- 2003 Scared Straight 20 Years Later
- 2010 Beyond Scared Straight

Scared Straight Original Documentary - 1979

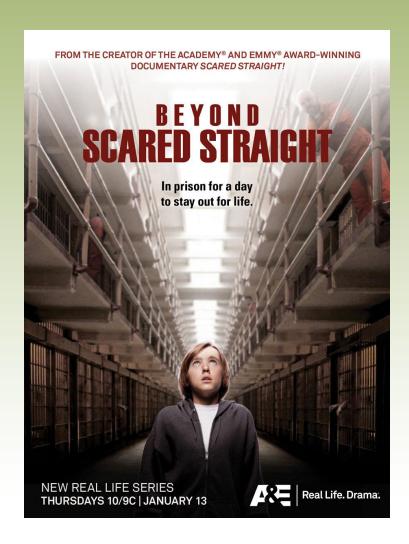


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Scared Straight — The Panacea Phenomenon



Scared Straight
The Panacea Phenomenon
By James O. Finckenauer



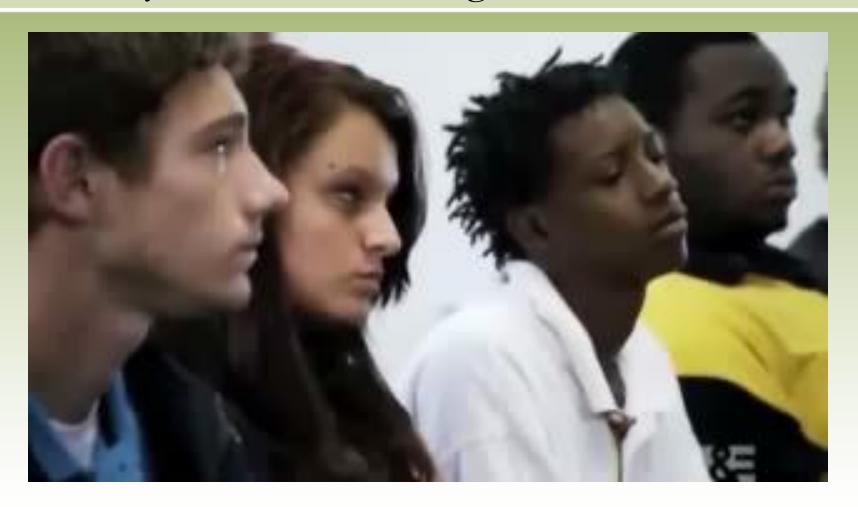
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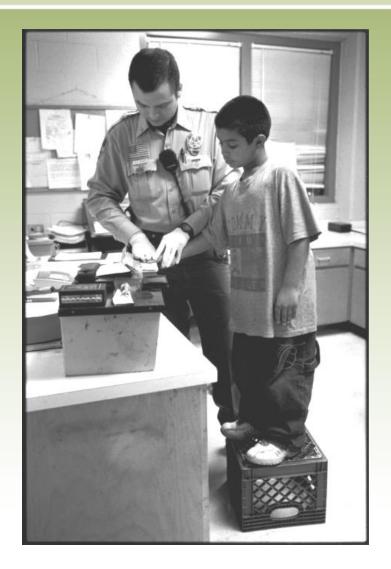
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Can we SCARE Kids Straight?





They're Starting Younger & Younger



- In 2011, A&E began its 2nd season.
- According to Joe Vignate, director of Justice Programs at Governor's Office for Children and Families in Georgia, the program is the highest rated program in the history of the Disneyowned A&E network. "The scared straight approach is an inappropriate and unacceptable means for disciplining children. This approach has been shown to cause short- and long-term harm and actually INCREASES the likelihood of re-offending among participants."

- Coalition for Juvenile Justice
- According to this organization, this approach has been proven to be harmful to children as a best practice. It makes little sense to introduce teens that have been getting in a lit of trouble to adults in prison since these youth already feel that the mainstream path of school and college isn't making sense to them and that they don't fit into that path. It may help a few, but if reinforces that a crime path is your path.

- National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges
- Scared Straight programs became widespread before being thoroughly evaluated. Three subsequent decades of research show that not only is there no affect on the behavior of youth exposed to Scared Straight in comparison with those who are not, but Scared Straight participants are actually more likely to be arrested afterwards.

• U.S. Justice Department

• Study by Anthony Petrosino at the Campbell Collaboration analyzed results from 9 Scared Straight programs and found that such programs increased crime up to 28% in the experimental group when compared to a no-treatment control group.

• U.S. Justice Department

• Study by Mark Lipsey of the Vanderbilt Institute for Public Policy Studies found that youth who participate in Scared Straight and other similar deterrence programs have higher recidivism rates that youth in control groups.

- Director and Producer Arnold Shapiro
- Stated that he has never read any of the studies but claims that all of the research is wrong. He claims that follow-ups are the best indicator and points to the predominant success of the original participants.
- That is complete fabrication according to the only long-term study done on Scared Straight participants where 85% of those studied long term became incarcerated themselves.

NEW JERSEY – Changing Trends

What is the climate of your Community?

• What is the climate of your school?

What is the climate of your home?

How informed are we as a Community?

How informed are our Children?

N.J. Core Curriculum

Comprehensive Health & Physical Education

- 18A:6-2 Accident & Fire Prevention
- 18A:35-5.4 Breast Self-Examination (grades 7th 12th)
- 18A:37-13 Establishment of bullying prevention programs
- 18A:40-33 Cancer Awareness
- 18A:35-4.23 Domestic Violence Education
- 18A:35-4.26 Gang Violence Prevention
- 18:A:40A-1 Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco, CDS, Steroids
- 18A:35-5.1 Lyme Disease curriculum guidelines
- 18A:7F-4.3 Organ Donation (9-12)
- 18A:35-4.3 Sexual Assault Prevention Education Program
- 18A:35-4.19-20 AIDS Prevention
- 18A:6-111 Suicide Prevention

Bullying

- N.J. legislation toughened anti-bullying laws following Rutgers student suicide
- January 6, 2011
- "Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights,"







De-sensitizing our Youth













Bystander Effect









Partnership for a Drug-Free America

- 2010 study shows alcohol use is UP
- 2010 study show marijuana use is UP
- 2010 study shows that Juvenile arrests and offenses are UP
- Average time juveniles served for crime in 1980 was 5 months
- Average time juveniles served for crime in 2006 was 17 months
- ALL increases were shown in NJ also

The Seriousness of the Problem

"Prescription painkiller abuse sends thousands of New Jersey residents into addiction treatment each year, and

Kills more Americans than cocaine and heroin combined."

White House Office of Drug Control Policy

- "The 2009 National Survey On Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) data show an increased use of illicit drugs, particularly marijuana, and prescription drugs.
- The findings are disappointing, but not surprising. Youth attitudes about the dangers of drugs have softened in the past couple of years. In the past this has often signaled that increases in use are coming."

Gil Kerlikowske, National Drug Control Policy Director

Adolescent Drug and Alcohol Use

- Alcohol is the most abused drug by teens
- 40 % of those who started drinking at age 13 or younger developed alcohol dependence later in life.
- Even casual drug and alcohol use can kill you
- Prescription drug use / Marijuana use is WAY UP
- Huffing is on the rise, Alcoholic Energy Drinks KILL!
- 77% increase in NJ in unauthorized use of prescription drugs in past 3 years *



Consequences of Drug Involvement

- It's not only using drugs that can get you sent to prison
- Don't be the person that gets the drugs, deals the drugs, or even "arranges" for the drugs to be copped
- 2C:35-9 Strict Liability for drug-induced deaths



Oct 4, 2010 - Megan Plank has been charged with two counts of first degree drug-induced death and one count of third degree distribution of heroin in relation to the Nov. 12, 2009 overdose of Christopher Coppola and Sara Malaker in Springfield. They were both 20.

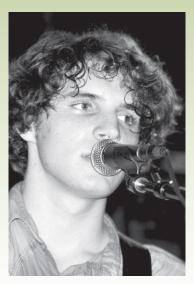
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Oct 18, 2007 - 19-year-old Kiernan Hunt was charged with supplying the heroin that authorities say contributed to the death of an 18 year old Westminster Choir College freshman at an apartment in Princeton.



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Nov 18, 2010 - 21-year-old Joseph Colatrella of Jackson, NJ was sentenced to 15 years in prison for selling what turned out to be a fatal dose of heroin to a 20 year old Lakehurst man, Phillip Michaels. He had NO PRIOR criminal convictions. He stated that he didn't "intend" to cause Phillip's death.

He must serve 85% - 12 ¾ years

Autopsy results show former Pingry athlete from Summit died from alcohol-drug overdose



A 20-year-old Hobart
College lacrosse player from
Summit found dead in
January at an off-campus
home in upstate New York
died from an overdose of
alcohol and painkillers, a
prosecutor said today. Two
people are expected to plead
guilty Thursday to providing
alcohol to a minor.

Steered Straight

"Offense Or Defense"

The Suburbs are a Magnet for Street Gangs

According to the NJSP and the National Crime Data Bank: the crime rate in NJ is at it's lowest since the 1960's. BUT, the number of murders, as well as the amount of gang related crime is at it's ALL TIME HIGH.

In addition,

Prescription Drug Use and Heroin Use/Abuse is climbing.

NJ Urban Street Gangs are DIVERSIFYING Their Business Model

- "The things that are going on in New Jersey, I hate to tell you, it's not going to get any better, it's going to get worse."
 - Det/Cpl Erick Castellanos, Passaic County



NJJDA 11th annual conference going on now. For the first time, the NJ Gang Investigators Association is conducting sessions every time slot. They're on the front lines and they say schools need to wake up.

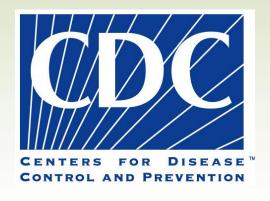
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A: DENIAL

• "According to the Center For Disease Control and Prevention,

New Jersey Gangs are DRUG BASED"

- Edwin Torres - Investigative Agent



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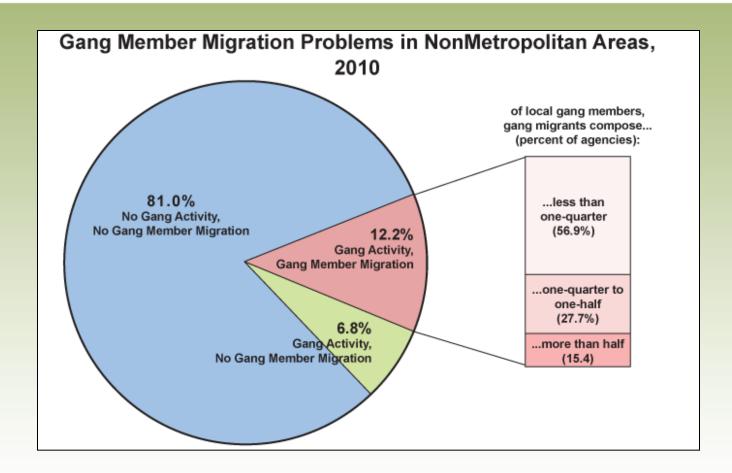
Youth Minister



Suburban Gang Migration

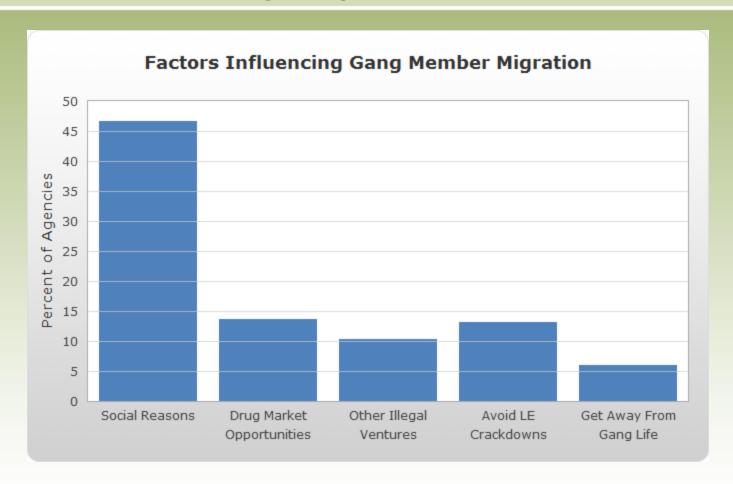
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• National Data from NGC report that there are few suburban and rural municipalities that are reporting gang presence in their jurisdictions.



NGC – 2011 National Youth Gang Survey-Analysis

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NGC – 2011 National Youth Gang Survey-Analysis

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- Financial Opportunity MUCH Greater here!
- Recruiting youth as young as 10, 11, 12
- Lack of juvenile awareness about gangs
- Suburban naïve attitude towards gangs, denial
- Expanding drug market
- Less exposure from Law Enforcement
- Safety; open gang ID not as fierce
- Lower risk factors

Suburbs are a Magnet for Street Gangs

No matter what factor is influencing gang migration, the suburban market for prescription drugs and other opiates is a theme in almost every factor.

Feds and cops bust prescription drug ring



May 23, 2012

9,000 Oxy's

Federal agents and city cops busted up a large open air prescription drug market in Washington Heights and arrested a man who made millions by driving to Boston to resell the pills for a huge markup.

Fourteen people were charged with selling painkillers in what Manhattan U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara called "essentially an open-air drug mall and drive-thru on the streets of Upper Manhattan."

"The suspects operated like a gang of street corner pharmacists, selling illegal prescription pills hand-to-hand between 156th and 158th streets," said NYPD Commissioner Ray Kelly

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August 13, 2012 – Paterson - Confirmed Latin King gang member Mr. Mendez was alleged to have locked his girlfriend in the bedroom for extended periods of time for two years, caught with 190 grams of weed, \$22,567 and **4,200** prescription pills valued at over \$100,000

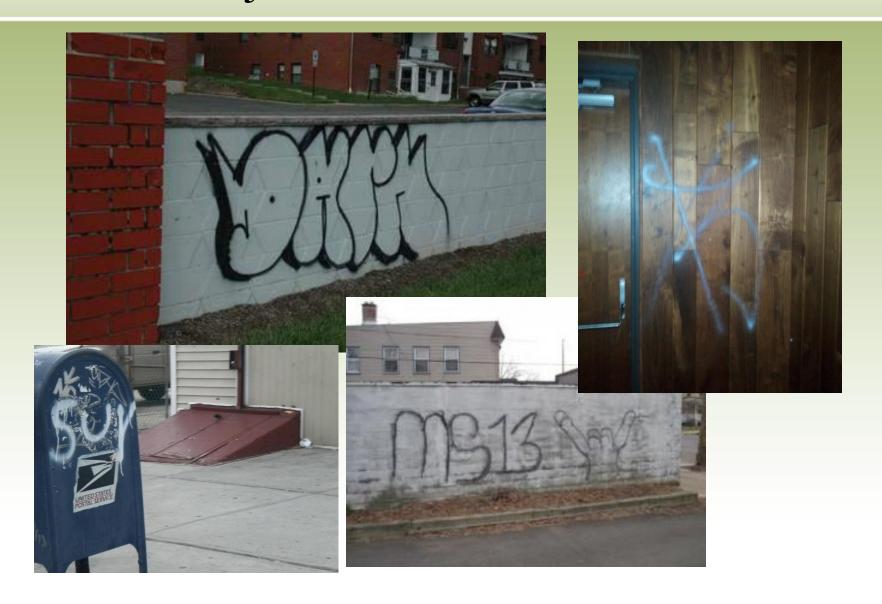
Monmouth & Ocean County







NJ Suburban Towns



Using Drugs Supports Gangs















GANGS – New Jersey's #1 Threat

- As reported in the Asbury Park Press
- According to the NJ Attorney General
- According to NJSP



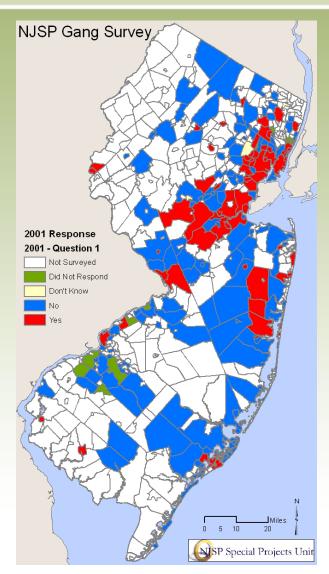


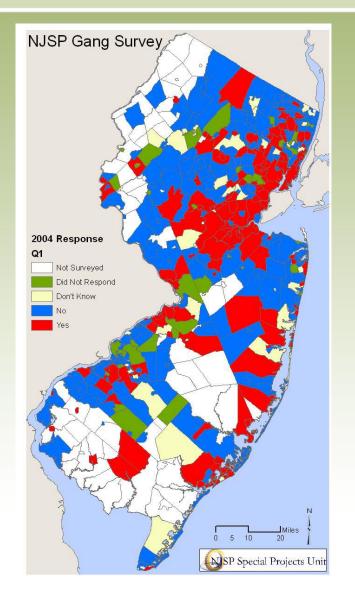


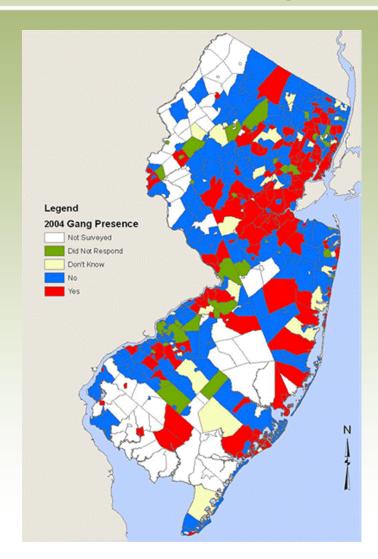


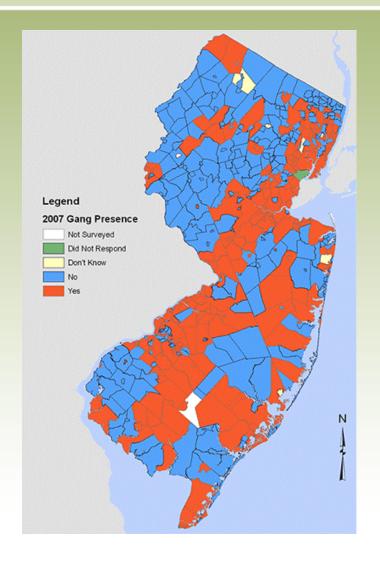


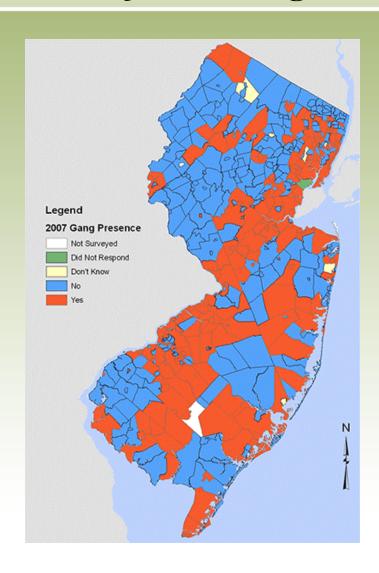


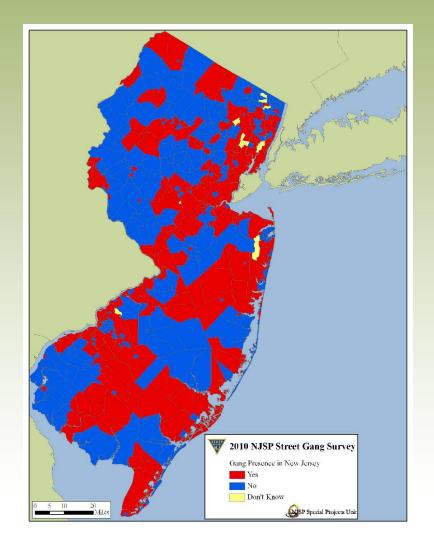




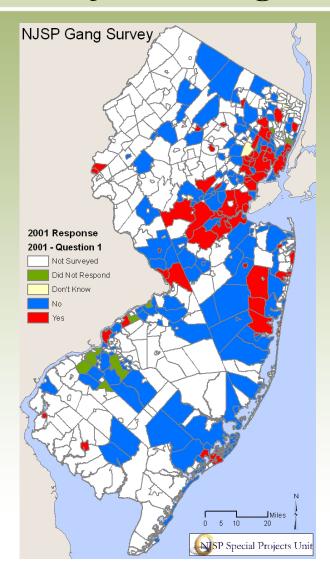


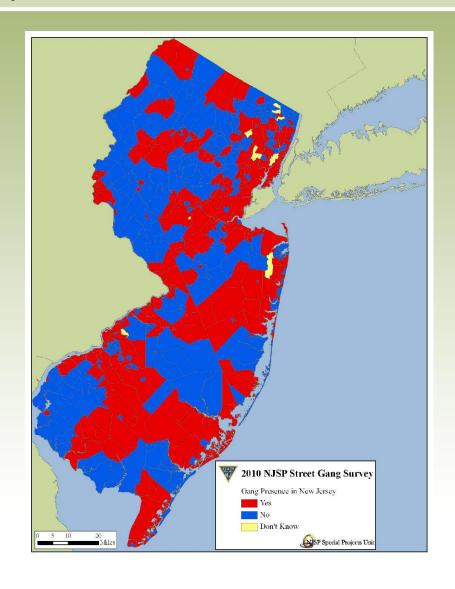


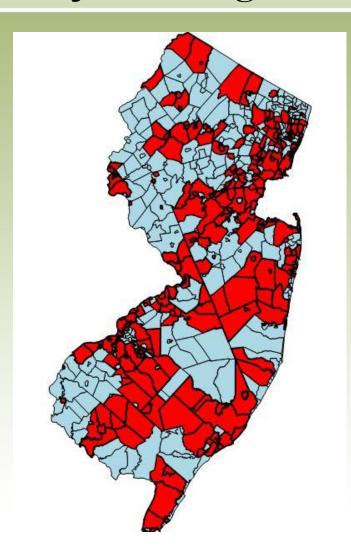




NJSP Gang Survey 2001-2010







http://www.njsp.org/info/pdf/gangs_in_nj_2010.pdf

http://www.njgangsurvey.com/

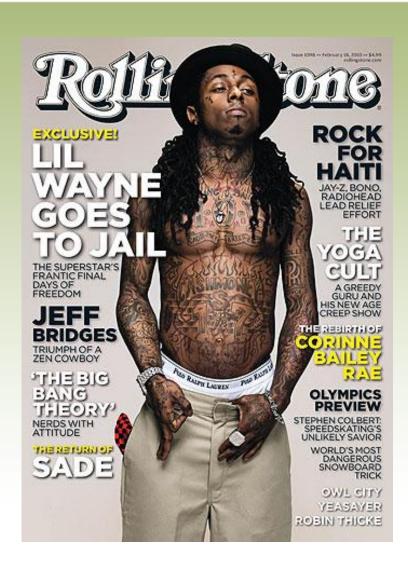
So What Does A Gang-member Look Like?



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Drugs, guns, negative choices



"I smoke weed all day."
When I ask him if he's an addict, he says, "I'm a very successful addict."

"This is Lil Wayne going to jail. Nobody I can talk to can tell me what that's like. I just say I'm looking forward to it."

Gang Membership Promoted in Mainstream Music



Crips gang member gets 94 years for killing 13-yearold Elizabeth boy, construction worker ... 9/17/2010



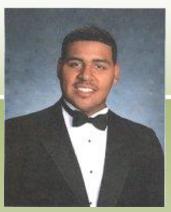
Edariel 'Riddick' Melendez



Elijah Henderson – 13-years old

"In this day and time, peer pressure is so strong – if you don't become part of a gang, you become a target yourself."

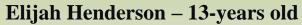




Quat-tie Bacon – 18-years old



Keith Wright - 21-years old





Donald Farrell - 19-years old



Muriah Huff – 18-years old



Luz 'Ricky' Garcia – 17-years old

Rakeem Stubbs – 17-years old



Ashani Wilks – 18-years old

Michael Hawkins – 23-years old



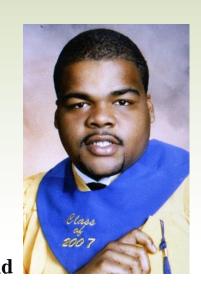
Terrance Aeriel – 18-years old



Ammar Simmons – 18-years old

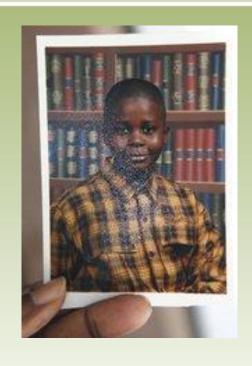


Tara Valentin – 26-years old



A Young Life Lost!

Devon was due to graduate Carteret High School the very day he was killed!



Devon Mbachu, 19, of Carteret, N.J., formerly of New Brunswick, N.J. died June 23, 2010. Visitation will be held Friday, July 2, 2010 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Funeral service is at 12 noon at Eternal Life Christian, 322 Franklin Blvd., Franklin, N.J. Please log on to <u>plintoncurry.com</u> to sign his guest book. For the best prices on flowers, call (908)232-6869.

Sept '10, Newark, NJ

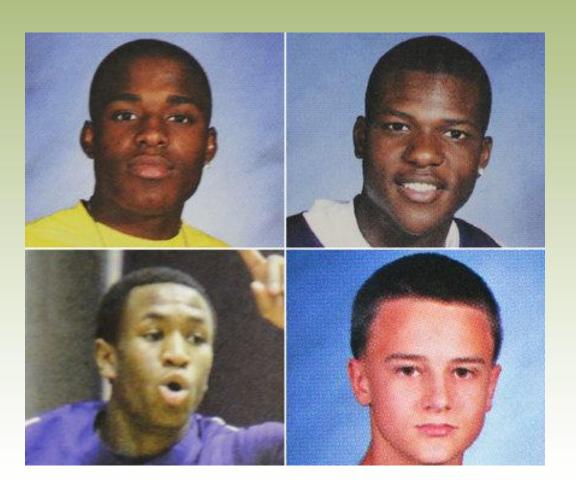








Wilin' Out – Gang by Definition





- •Lack of a Personal Schedule
- •Chillin'
- •Hanging Out
- •"Wilding"
- Poor Decisions
- •Drinking
- •Smoking Weed

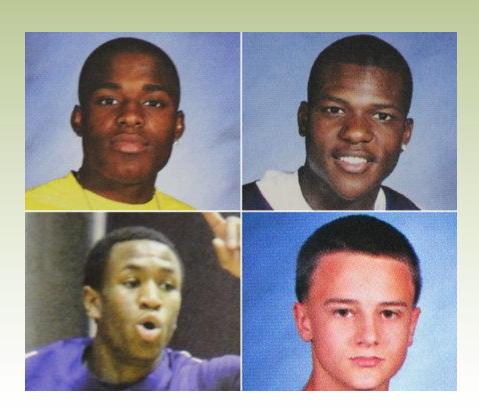
Old Bridge – Middlesex County

Five Old Bridge High School teens accused in beating death to be tried as adults



Four 16, one 17

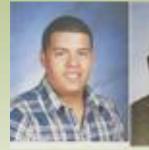
- •3 have never been in trouble
- •4 Were involved in their community
- •4 Started on varsity athletic teams
- •ALL Have solid families



June 25, 2010

Old Bridge – Middlesex County

Teens charged as adults in Old Bridge murder are athletes, musicians















Sept 24, 2010

Old Bridge – Middlesex County

Plea Offered to the Driver – 30 years without parole!

Dec 17, 2010





Stephen Contreras – 17 yrs. old

Old Bridge, NJ - Bullies

Judge Rules Texts & Facebook Postings are Admissible at Trial

facebook



- Some of the texts were made within 10 minutes of the attack
- 29 of 34 were admissible, 5 others were too inflammatory dealing with BRAGGING
- Some texts laid out plans to beat someone else up the next day
- Some texts described what they should do if questioned by police

Summit – Union County

Charges are upgraded against teens in Summit beating death









Nigel Dumas, 18, of Morristown and a 17 year old beat an unarmed man to death, two other teens under 17 video taped it

N.J.Gangs













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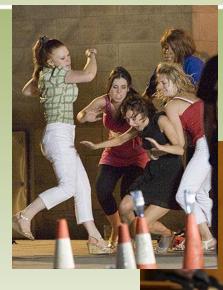




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Joining A Gang













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Reasons for joining a gang- I'm told these top 8

- Poverty, Isolation and Despair
- Sense of Belonging, Identity/Inclusion
- The need for recognition, power and status
- Born into it
- Neighborhood norm
- The need for physical safety and protection
- Peer Pressure
- The Promise of Money

I Say Youth Join Gangs Because:

They Don't Value Their Own Lives.... PERIOD!

For Naïve Suburban Youth, It's For a Number of Reasons, but Lack of Understanding and Belief That it is Something It Is NOT Is a Factor.

The Costs of Confinement

- Rutgers and the RAND Corporation estimate the cost of incarcerating an adult in NJ is \$37,000
- The Justice Policy Institute estimates the cost of incarcerating a juvenile is \$240.99 per day
 - That's \$87,961 per year
- Actual NJ numbers are \$174 per day
 - That's \$63,510 per year *

Solutions - PARENTS

- We have to first understand what gangs are to understand why children are in them
- Education Starts at HOME
 - Glorification of Gangs
 - Constant communication about Drugs
 - Denial is part of the Problem

"Not Talking About It"

Doesn't

"Make It Go Away"

Solutions - EDUCATORS

• Educators are CANDLES IN THE WIND

When I was in prison, most of the young inmates I spoke to named a "TEACHER" or a "COACH" as their hero or role-model.

- •I bet they spanked their kids
- •I bet they ate dinner as a family
- •I bet they took their kids away on vacation
- •I bet they grounded their kids when they got bad grades

Solutions – New Jersey

- GCADA
- •Improve uniformity in treatment
- •Understand the treatment gap and fix it
- •FUND Community awareness
- Prescription DROP BOXES in EVERY major city
- Uniformity in Education
- •MORE Community Education

In Summary

- There is no Panacea Phenomenon that works with Juvenile Delinquency, with educating youth about the dangers of drugs, especially Prescription Drugs, gangs, the their relation to each other
- Some approaches will work for some, but not all.
- Early education, prevention over intervention, and a collaborative approach.
- Removing the Stigma about addiction, educating youth of the dangers and providing real solutions and availability for real treatment

What I'm Reading

- Yes, Your Teen Is Crazy Dr. Michael Bradley
- Yes, your Parents Are Crazy Dr. Michael Bradley
- 7 Things Your Teenager Won't Tell You Jenifer Lippincott
- The Motivation Breakthrough Richard Lavoie
- Reality Gap- Alcohol, Drugs and Sex-What Parents Don't Know and Teens Aren't Telling – Stephen Wallace
- Do Hard Things A Teenage Rebellion Against Low Expectations Alex & Brett Harris

Gang Resources

- www.nationalgangcenter.gov
- www.njgangfree.org
- www.gangfree.org
- www.great-online.org
- www.ncpc.org
- www.gangpreventionservices.org
- www.nj.gov/education/students/safety/behavior/gang
- www.gangsorus.com

Prescription Drugs/Opiates Resources

- Parents The Anti-Drug
 - www.theantidrug.org
- Monitoring The Future
 - www.monitoringthefuture.org/
- Partnership for a Drug Free New Jersey
 - www.drugfreenj.org/
- Partnership for a Drug Free America
 - www.drugfree.org/
- National Institute on Drug Abuse
 - www.drugabuse.gov/



The BEST Parental Resources

- Parental Resources to Find Other Resources
- www.parentcentral.net
- www.teencentral.net
- www.theantidrug.com

www.steeredstraight.org

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40 Developmental Assets – (with action steps)

- http://www.search-institute.org/content/40-developmental-assets-adolescents-ages-12-18
- http://www.search-institute.org/developmental-assets/lists

External Assets

Internal Assets

Support – 6

Commitment to Learning – 5

Empowerment – 4

Positive Values – 6

Boundaries & Expectations – 6

Social Competencies – 5

Constructive Use of Time - 4

Positive Identity - 4

Ya know how they always say, "There's no manual on how to be a parent?" - Well, this is it. MD

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